

REMARKS

Applicants filed a Reply on October 19, 2005, that addresses all issues in the outstanding Office Action. The present Supplemental Amendment merely addresses inadvertent errors in the listing of claims from the October 19 Reply.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the present application in view of the foregoing changes to the claims.

Status of the Claims

In the present Amendment, claims 1-3 have been amended. Claims 8 and 18-40 were previously canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Thus, claims 1-7, 9-17 and 41-42 are pending in the present application.

No new matter has been added by way of these amendments since these amendments are made to correct typographical errors from the listing of claims as presented in Applicants' previous Reply (of October 19, 2005).

Conclusion

A full and complete response has been made to all issues as cited in the Office Action in Applicants' previous October 19 Reply. Thus, Applicants respectfully request favorable action on the present application and a timely Notice of Allowance to issue for the present case.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Eugene T. Perez (Reg. No. 48,501) at the offices of Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP.

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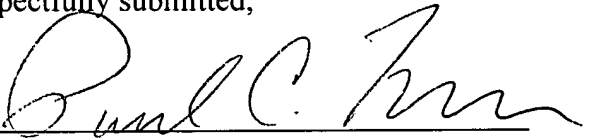
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees. However, it is believed that no fee is due at this time since a timely Reply was filed by Applicants on October 19, 2005.

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